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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.56

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Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO/SB/08 is a listing of documents known to Applicants in order to comply with Applicants' duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56.

A copy of each non-U.S. patent document and each non-patent document is being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98.

The submission of any document herewith, which is not a statutory bar, is not intended as an admission that such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application or that such document is considered material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56(b). Applicants do not waive any rights to take any action which would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove as a competent reference any document which is determined to be a *prima facie* art reference against the claims of the present application.

TIMING OF THE DISCLOSURE

The listed documents are being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97(c), before the mailing date of either a final action under 37 CFR §1.113, a notice of allowance under 37 CFR §1.311, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application.

RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

Any document listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 was cited as being relevant during the prosecution of the corresponding Korean application. A copy of the Office Action dated February 5, 2009, received in Korean Patent Application No. 10-2004-7020931 is attached setting forth the portion of each document considered relevant by the examiner. An English-language abstract of foreign-language document E2 has been provided, and Document E4 is in English and is in the same patent family as foreign-language document E3. The absence of a translation or an English-language counterpart document does not relieve the PTO from its duty to consider any submitted document (37 CFR §1.98 and MPEP§609).

CONSIDERATION OF PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED REFERENCES

The Examiner has refused to consider references A17 and A20 cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed in the present application on July 5, 2005, because they are not in English. It is respectfully submitted that English translations are not available for the two listed references. It is pointed out that these references were cited in the corresponding International Search Report, a copy of which was also submitted on July 5, 2005. A concise explanation of the relevance of the references may be found in the International Search Report. An initialed PTO SB08 indicating that the Examiner has considered and made of record references A17 and A20 cited in the IDS filed on July 5, 2005, is again solicited.

The Examiner has also refused to consider reference C2 cited in the IDS filed in the present application on October 11, 2007, because it is not in English. As indicated on the IDS and the PTO SB08 filed on October 11, 2007, Document C2 (FR 2753903) corresponds to Document C1 (US 6,207,438). An initialed PTO SB08 indicating that the Examiner has considered and made of record reference C2 cited in the IDS filed on October 11, 2007, is again solicited.

Applicants respectfully request that each listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

STATEMENT

The undersigned hereby states in accordance with 37 CFR §1.97(e)(1) that each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three (3) months prior to filing of this Statement.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this submission under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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